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PRESENCE SYSTEM AND INFORMATION PROCESSING EQUIPMENT, DYNAMIC BUDDY LIST GENERATION METHOD IN PRESENCE SYSTEM, AND PRESENCE NOTIFICATION DESTINATION CONTROLLING METHOD AND ITS PROGRAM

FOR USE WITH PRESENCE SYSTEM

<u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98</u>

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Sir:

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- 1. Satoshi Okuyama, "Instant messaging technology for supporting new mobile services," FUJITSU, Fujitsu, Ltd., July 13, 2001, Vol. 52, No. 4, p. 262 to p. 267.
- 2. International Patent Application Publication No. 01/45342, published June 21, 2001.
- 3. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-77456, published March 15, 2002, along with English Language Abstract.

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4. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2000-4299, published January 7, 2000, along with English Language Abstract.

5. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-168515, published June 14, 2002, along with English Language Abstract.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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